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Title: Regarding outbreak of encephalitis in seven districts of West Bengal.

SHRI ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY : Sir, I will be brief. I must abide by your direction.

I would like to draw the attention of the Ministry of Health, Government of India that the situation in seven districts of West Bengal has been very serious due to outbreak of acute encephalitis, which has already assumed an alarming dimension in the northern part of West Bengal and took a toll of more than 60 people. The medical infrastructure in those areas is poor and lacking any medical facilities. There is only one medical University which exists there. However, the number of patients has been growing day after day, and the existing medical University is not able to provide the medical service to those affected persons.

So, I would like to urge upon the Health Minister to send one medical team for assessing the situation.